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MINUTES OF O.A.M.E. BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
June 8 & 9 2007, Holiday Inn Select, Toronto Airport

PRESENT:
Executive: Dan Charbonneau (Past President), Jacqueline Hill (President), Gord Cooke (Vice President)
Chapter Representatives: Lynda Ferneyhough(CHAMP), Pat Kehoe (COMA), Laura Tonin (GOLDEN), Rob Gleeson (GVMA), Diane Lang (ISOMA), Danielle Blair (MAC2), Sue Melville (NOMA), Tom Boland (NWOAME), Sandra Price (PRMA), Tom Chapman (QSLMA), Debbie Drape (SAME), Pat Margerm (TEAMS), Ann Michele Stenning (WOMA)
Elected Directors Heather Boychuk, Charlotte Cutajar, Merilyn Fox, Bill Otto, Anna D'Armento, Anna Dutfield, Paul Gautreau, Duncan Leblanc, Laurie Moher, Dennis Caron, Bev Farahani, Glynnis Fleming, Cathy Hall, Connie Quadrini, Trish Steele
Others: Sue and Dave Hessey (Exec. Directors), Greg Clarke (Webmaster), Marilyn Hurrell (Gazette Editor), Kathy Kubota-Zarivnij, Mary Lou Kestell (Abacus co- Editors), Penny Clemens and Trevor Brown (guests on Saturday)
Regrets:, Blanche Thomas, Tara Zwolinski, Louis Lim, Walter Whiteley (Directors), Anna Jupp (President-Elect), Fred Ferneyhough, Anne Yeager (VPs), Robert Sherk (QSLMA),
Fri: Joe Goulet (SWOAME), Sat:Duncan LeBlanc , Sat pm: Connie Quadrini, Bev Farahani

FRI June 8, 2007
Exec and Chairs meeting (5:15-715 pm)

Chairs and executive liaisons of all standing and curriculum committees met over a light supper to discuss plans for the year. Budget sheets and white committee binders were distributed. Greg Clarke showed a new website tool developed for committees. Jacqueline Hill reviewed the duties of chairs from the terms of reference.

Chapter Reps Meeting (6:30 pm- 7:30 pm)

1. **Welcome to new Chapter Reps**: Tom Boland (NWOAME), Tom Chapman (representing QSLMA for this meeting in lieu of Robert Sherk), Pat Kehoe (COMA), Danielle Blair (MAC2)
2. **Chapter Reps Website Access and Functions** (Greg)
   Greg outlined a number of features that are available to help out your local chapter from the OAME website. Details will be outlined on a page distributed to chapter reps and posted on the Chapter Reps collaboration page (http://oame.collaborationcentral.net/ChapterReps/)
   a. Each chapter has the ability to create a webspace in a folder on the OAME website – FTP access details on handout (e.g. http://oame.on.ca/chapter/COMA/)
   a. Each chapter has a generic chapter email (e.g. COMA@oame.on.ca) which can be accessed via a webmail page OR auto-forwarded to one email account. Let Greg know if you prefer a different setup for your chapter than the one already
   a. Members Only section on OAME website demonstrated, including three Chapter Reps features
      i. List chapter members (can list current members, members whose membership has expired – or WILL in the future expire)
      i. Update Chapter information – including local chapter exec membership as well as chapter events

i. Send custom email – ability to send customized / personalized email messages to chapter reps, exec, or selected chapter members
i. (NOTE: One thing Greg did NOT mention but meant to: It is possible to grant access to local chapter members who are not board members → local Chapter Web person can be granted access to Update Chapter Info, and local Chapter Secretary/Treasurer can be given access to List Chapter Members / Custom Email)

2. Chapter Mini-Conferences & MCIS

a. Chapters are welcome to use MCIS to administer local mini-conferences. If you need details about MCIS, email Greg - he'll guide you through it.
a. For those who have used MCIS before – do not "re-use" the same conference records from last year and try to delete / replace information → instead, email Greg when you want a new mini-conference setup, he'll set it up for you, in a brand new record and go forward

2. **October PD session** -

a. YES we want one – Oct 12th – 1pm – 4:30pm – followed by Dinner (Greg to include in Chapter Reps budget – along with 9 supply teachers to cover chapter reps classrooms)
a. Topics: Using Interactive WhiteBoards / recent resources developed to support Gr 12 courses / Inspire (from TI)

2. **OAME News and Info from Executive Directors** (Sue)

a. New products – OAME cards (thank yous, etc..) / shirts (with ladies small sizes) – red & black OAME bag (leftovers from Leadership 007)
a. Updated membership lists available following OAME2007 – Sue has also given list of Feb / May lapsed members
a. Role of chapter rep included in pkg - including responsibility to get annual report in by Nov 30th - chapter rebates are based upon complete annual reports approved by the executive in January
a. Chapter project grants are available – application must be done by May 15th – consider that for coming year
a. Chapter report due before each board meeting – if submitted by deadline will be printed and distributed at bd mtg – if not in time for printout they will be included in the minutes distributed electronically after the mtg
a. Promotion case is available for chapter mini-conferences

2. Chapter Sharing:

a. Laura Tonin (GOLDEN) – shared handout – Pi Cookie Cutter – making pi cookies great motivator !
a. Ann Michelle Stenning (WOMA) – went to Topology seminar / workshop on Celtic knots – found great ideas that will use on last day of class (requested to share copy with other chapter reps)
a. Sandra Jean Price (PRMA) – do any chapters have chapter awards ? email Sandra if so
a. Pat Margerm (TEAMS) – started webnotes which will be emailed out monthly or bi-monthly to membership (can now use the new Send Custom Email feature !)
a. Diane Lang (ISOMA) – idea used with gr 9 class – find largest closed cylinder from single piece of paper – all intuitions seemed to be wrong – used GSP to solve the problem – lead to some really interesting discussion in class. Interesting that wrapping parallelograms into cylinders. Different sizes / shapes of paper yield different results.
a. Sue Melville (NOMA) – how many chapters have an AGM ? (not all). Any teacher who wants to attend PD conference must fill out form in June the year before – are other boards doing this ? how supportive are boards ? (varies)
a. Pat Kehoe (COMA) – lots of people out to forums / activity based workshops done by COMA – doing a lot of PD (alternative to board PD)
a. Danielle Blair (MAC2) – MAC2 focus: wrapup of OAME2007

Board of Directors Meeting

Call to Order: Time: 7:45 pm

Welcome and President's Remarks: Jacqueline Hill welcomed everyone and introduced new board members as well as those who were new in the past year and other seasoned board members. She introduced herself and gave

her own vision and directions for the year. She is a classroom teacher at heart. She showed the OAME "roadshow" developed by the Promotions Committee, that can be used by board members when speaking with new teachers/preservice teachers. The powerpoint is posted in the board links. She encouraged board members to pencil in all meeting dates and to plan on attending, so that membership funds can be used wisely to move forward. We need to work together as a team and on our committees. She would like to start from the classroom and move along, as classroom teachers are on the front line. We want our vision statement to reach them. She announced that the MoE has recently proposed some funding for some intense grade 12 summer writing, to be completed and posted on our website by Aug 20. She demonstrated the value in the red binder and reminded current members to file the updates provided.

NCTM corner: John Kersley showed some NCTM resources, including "Something for everyone". Included were buttons, bags, and print resources for assessment, history of math, multicultural and gender issues, and PD.

Getting to know each other activity: Jacqueline Hill led the group through a mixer, having board members identify their OAME experience by connecting to movie types (Suspense, Comedy, Chick Flick, or Action).

PD activity: Jacqueline Hill led the board of directors through an interactive presentation and discussion on Differentiated Instruction.

SOCIAL TIME: OAME Suite # 1111, 9:30-11:00 pm

Saturday, June 9, 2007

Equity Committee Breakfast: Sue Melville reported :

- Equity Lunch 2007:
  A small group attended this year's OAME Equity Lunch with guest speaker Nazneen Dindar from Durham DSB. Attendees enjoyed an interesting speech. One concern raised was the time conflict between the Equity Lunch and conference sessions scheduled during the same time slot
- Equity Speaker 2008:
  The committee passed a motion by Sandra Jean Price, seconded by Beverly Farahani, to combine the Equity Lunch with the Friday keynote speech at the OAME 2008 conference. This year's keynote speakers will be Craig and Mark Keilberger, speaking on Social Justice.
- Since the Equity speaker for OAME 2008 is now booked, the committee will use the time available this year to explore how differentiated instruction addresses equity issues in the classroom. We are planning two book studies. Titles will be confirmed later this month.
- Other – Sue Melville received a response to her letter expressing concern for recent changes to Status of Women Canada and the Court Challenges Program, from Bev Oda, Minister of Canadian Heritage and Status of Women. Minister Oda explained the renewed mandate of the Women's Program, which is "to facilitate women's participation in Canadian society by addressing their economic, social, and cultural situation through Canadian organizations." Recent changes to Status of Women Canada were further explained in the letter. Questions about the Court Challenge Program were not addressed, since the matter is currently before the courts.

ACTION: Sue Melville

- **Confirm number of books to be ordered (done: 20)**
- **Confirm first title by e-mail correspondence with committee members**
- **Confirm pricing and availability of book**
- **Order books and arrange shipping direct to members**
- **Submit final budget numbers to Executive Directors by June 12, 2007**
- **Through discussion with Connie Quadrini, ascertain the role of the Equity Committee at OAME 2008**
- **Provide feedback to the OAME 2008 organizing committee regarding suggestions for avoiding scheduling conflicts between future Equity Lunches and conference sessions**

Website Update: Greg Clarke reminded members how to get access to members only and board files. He demonstrated the many new board features on the website including a collaboration tool for committees. Committees can now share files, send committee emails, etc.

Standing Committees

Publications: Lynda Ferneyhough reported that the following were discussed:

Old Business:

- Procedure for contacting committee members when requests come in for links or research from academic institutions. **ACTION: Greg has added the ability to send an e-mail to the committee. When a request comes in, we could respond to the collaboration website. We could then answer a survey. "Check out the website and make comments. Connections to OAME Vision statement? What do you like? What do you not like?...Should we accept a link or not?"**
- New editor for the Gazette: Hopefully, there will be some time for some job sharing for the position.
- Protocol for answering requests: We have a set protocol for answering requests for publication in the Gazette/Abacus. We will do the web survey (for the committee) if requests for web links come up.

Abacus Report:

- Redesigning cover so that the Abacus beads are in the right position. Add Table of contents to cover.
- Have focus topics for each edition:(Addition & Representing Numbers; Subtraction; Multiplication; Division), add: research summary of key math, reference booklist, problems, models of representation, common errors, quotes, book review, math & literature links and manipulatives.
- Make it a consistent format, stays as an insert. Not so much blackline masters.
- Invite educators to send in some things.
- Reminder that teaser article to put on website should be identified to Greg.
- Request through website for feedback from elementary school.
- Abacus can be posted early on shared documents and the publication committee's elementary teachers can send back some student Exemplars. Documents will be posted: July 1, Oct. 1, June 1, April 1
- Pat is going to do a feature insert: Math literature & manipulatives.

Gazette Report:

- Penny Clemens who sets up the gazette for printing was introduced to us.
- June issue should be in mail very soon.
- Articles are reviewed, special features are not.
- Documents will be posted: July 10, Oct. 10, June 10, April 10
- Reviewers: OAME Vision statement is included. Going to ask for confirmation of willingness to be reviewers and try to get a list of new willing reviewers.
- Marilyn will send the reviewers checklist to Pat for her teacher candidates who are encouraged to submit articles..

Website Report:

- Visit pub@oame.on.ca password is: gazette2007.
- Greg showcased the new features. WOW!
- Feedback possibilities will be extremely helpful to the Gazette & Abacus editors.
- On-line chat for OAME Board members.
- Possibility of a pod-cast (David Petro). Demonstration of links, creation of pod-cast etc.
- Permission forms for student pictures, work etc. will be posted on the web.
- Is there a link to OAME on the NCTM website? Yes. It is also updated.
- We have switched servers. Some settings were lost in the switch. Greg has spent much time in fixing this and this summer we will be upgrading to the Windows 2003 server.
- Greg has been and will continue to document changes for that far off bus…..(You had to be at the meeting!)
- MCIS: we need to avoid people getting duplicated registrations.
- Forgotten passwords have traditionally been handled by e-mailing the password to person. There is a problem with wrong addresses. There will be some security questions set up.
- We can now send in blurbs for upcoming conferences; speaker proposals.

New Business:

Budget:

- We will again put in a request for $500 to cover any costs associated with job shadowing for the editor's position.
- Budgets for the Gazette and Abacus are separate from this committee's budget.

Abacus:

- Suggestion to print an extra 50 – 60 copies to give out to OMCA members to promote the changes.
- Add short video clips after publication.
- Elementary committee: take clips of students working (reminder to get permission forms signed).

Publications:

- Vetting other publications: Should we be advertising that we will put the OAME stamp of approval on material?
- Issues of copyright and responsibility for checking original work.

Decided we will not look for proposals but will handle them on an individual basis as they arise.

Futures: Paul Gautreau reported that OMO for 2008 until 2011 will be hosted by PRMA, PRMA, MA2 and TEAMS respectively. The OAME annual conference for 2008 and 2009 will be hosted by Y4MA and COMA respectively, with an intent to host 2010 and 2011 by GOLDEN and SWOAME respectively. Futures committee members discussed the vision of OAME and how to promote this vision during presentations offered at the OAME annual conference. Future speakers will have access to OAME's vision statement and proposal forms will have speakers include a rationale for their proposal. This will help plan conference sessions that promote OAME's vision statement. Future session descriptions which promote a product or include a sales presentation will be identified as such. Presenters will also include the product that they are promoting. Conference co-chairs are encouraged to include the speaker's position title in their session description. Evaluation of sessions at the OAME annual conference continues to be done on-line. The email address for on-line conference evaluations will appear on the back of the delegate's name-tag. The Futures Standing committee agreed to bring three motions to the executive.
Motion #1: A motion by the Futures committee that the OAME exec review the merits and possibilities of going to an external fundraising professional in support of OMO, OAME conference and OAME initiatives.
Motion #2: A motion by the Futures committee that the OAME exec consider the hiring of a permanent MCIS co-ordinator/administrator that will oversee the administration of publishers/vendors, the uploading of session proposals, programs and registration for the OAME annual conference.
Motion #3: A motion by the Futures committee that the OAME exec consider the inclusion of sponsors on the OAME, OMO and OAME conference website.
ACTION: Executive
The OMO sub-committee planned two meetings to continue revising the OMO planner. The OAME sub-committee planned three meetings to continue revising the OAME conference planner.
ACTION: Chair to provide specific details to EDs so that appropriate space can be reserved.

Promotions: Charlotte Cutajar reported that members introduced themselves. Charlotte introduced the purpose and history of the committee. The committee edited the elementary sticky notes and recommended that the grids be blue. **ACTION: EDs.** The committee would like to see other T-shirt colours in October. **ACTION: EDs.** Former committee members will try the "Ladies" sized T-shirts and advise EDs. **ACTION: Charlotte Cutajar.**
Descriptions of GUM Workshops will be revised. **ACTION- Diane Lang and Dennis Caron**
Promotion in the community at large was discussed with parent workshops and website links for parents and/or students. Brainstorming occurred on the topic of how to increase membership. Ideas include
• school membership- school contact special deal for conference
• help local membership -membership drive (challenge)
• publications to advertise in
• letters to directors of boards- show how we address new curriculum - board subsidize one person per school
• Poster for staffroom to promote OAME - part of school membership
• part of annual learning plan (?)
• promotional items for OAME at conference bags - red pencil, sticky notes, cards
• contact at faculties of ed
ACTIONS:

1. Create a sheet to highlight benefits of membership in OAME - Trish Steele, Tom Boland
2. Collating contacts for faculties of Ed –Louis Lim
3. Letter to boards promote OAME -- Merilyn Fox, Joe Goulet

Constitution: Bill Otto reported that new member Pat Kehoe was introduced to the committee. Some general discussion was held to bring Pat up to speed about the function of this committee and about the direction received from the Executive for this Board year. These items of direction were: discuss the possible issues and ramifications of restructuring the OAME Board and its Executive and the meetings associated with these two groups; and consideration to require OMO coordinators to be members (to allow web access to our members' only portion of the website, to address liability issues, etc.). Discussion ensued about our plans for the Board year, especially those requiring money. It was agreed that we would attempt to meet both in October 2007 & February 2008 prior to the Board meeting for the Thursday night and Friday morning (& afternoon, if needed). Projected costs for this in terms of hotel and meals and supply teachers were established and submitted to the Finance Committee.
RE: OMO Coordinators and Members of OAME Issue: In addition to the direction from Executive around this issue, a question was posed by Futures about this issue. Although nothing has been decided formally in this regard, we advised Futures to include in their OMO Guideline a recommendation to OMO Chapters to encourage all committee members running an OMO to be members of OAME but in particular they must be members of the local chapter hosting the OMO. By the October meeting, Dave will provide the Constitution Committee members with draft language on this issue. It was agreed to recommend to the Futures Committee the idea that the OMO Guideline include a suggestion to Chapters to provide memberships in OAME to chairs on the Chapter planning team running the OMO events in order to insure complete insurance coverage. Bill did this during the morning today.
RE: Restructuring the Board and Executive Issue: Dave will provide statistics to the Committee on meeting costs, attendance and timing of meeting items at previous Board meetings over the years. The other members will look at the Board surveys for 2005-06 & 2006-07 & 2007-08 to determine any consensus on the concerns. The committee will be looking for input from the Board at the Feb 2008 Board meeting about this issue. Bill will ask Jacqueline to set aside some time (approx 1 hour) for this on that agenda for the Friday night.
RE: Website Collaboration Webspace Access: Bill will email the access code and password to the Collaboration Webspace for the Constitution Committee in the Members' Only Section of the OAME website to the members of the Committee.
RE: Motions from Last Constitution Meeting: Bill will present all of the motions (from our work forwarded to the Executive at the last meeting) during the Board meeting today.

Appreciation for Dean Murray and Trevor Brown: Jacqueline Hill honoured Dean Murray, who could not be present, for his role as Gazette advertising manager for the past 12 years. He has been a GVMA member since 1975 and on their executive. He won the Prime Minister's Award for teaching excellence. Now retired, he is working at the Univ. of Waterloo with the Canadian Mathematics Competition. He has been an OAME director since 1996, a quiet unsung hero, working behind the scenes to raise about $140 000 in advertising revenue. He exemplifies dedication and devotion to mathematics. He received a standing ovation.

Mary Lou Kestell honoured Trevor Brown with a powerpoint presentation. Trevor has been Abacus editor for 3 years currently and worked in the 1980s with Lorna Morrow as co-editor then. He is and has been a popular writer, speaker (local, provincial, national, and international), instructor (pre-service, in-service), developer – exemplars, reviewer other Ministry materials, etc. Some quotes that describe Trevor's philosophy are "Do not follow where the path may lead. Go instead where there is no path and leave a trail" and "When I am working on a problem.
I never think about beauty.I think only of how to solve the problem.But when I have finished, if the solution is not beautiful, I know it is wrong." Trevor challenges people's thinking. He makes the assumption that people can do more than they think they can and they prove it in his presence. Trevor is a unique mathematics educator and mathematician. He is a storyteller. He brings mathematics to life for teachers and students. He encourages our "inner mathematician" by prompting our rational need for objectivity and critical reasoning in our response to the complexity of the information we now have to deal with on a daily basis. Thank you for sharing your knowledge, enthusiasm, and experiences in mathematics education through the OAME Abacus! He received a standing ovation

General Meeting of Board of Directors

Approval of agenda
moved by Heather Boychuk, seconded by Gord Cooke that "the agenda be approved". carried

Approval of Minutes , Feb 2 & 3, 2007
moved by Bill Otto, seconded by Kathy Kubota-Zarivnij that "the minutes of the Feb 2 & 3, 2007 board meeting be approved". carried
ACTION: EDs to post on the website.

Financial Picture May 15/07: Dave Hessey quickly presented the financial picture and balance sheet for May 15
moved by Dan Charbonneau, seconded by Anna Jupp that "the May 15/07 financial picture be approved". Carried

Leadership 2007 report: Dan Charbonneau reported that 150 delegates attended. The financial statement was distributed, indicating a small profit of about $8000. The evaluation indicated a very positive feedback. Dan surrounded himself with great people and so great things happened. He thanked the workshop presenters, Glynnis Fleming, Pat Milot, Pat Margerm, Joyce Tonner, Heather Boychuk, Trevor Dewit, Connie Quadrini, Trish Steele, Jacqueline Hill, Charles Wyszkowski, Kathy Kubota-Zarivnij and Joyce Mgomebelo. A standing ovation was given as 7 out of the 12 are currently on the board of directors.

Motions:
1. **moved** by Paul Gautreau , seconded by Bill Otto that "the Board of Directors ratify the selection of COMA to host OAME2009". carried

2. **moved** by Bill Otto , seconded by Dan Charbonneau that "**The Terms of Reference, Editor of the Abacus,** section 4 b) be amended to read
4b) the Editor, on approval of the Executive, may be reimbursed for Professional Development expenses up to $500 over **each year** term of office." carried

3. **moved** by Dan Charbonneau , seconded by that Jacqueline Hill that
a) "the Union Gas Awards be discontinued and
b) "an OAME Award for Outstanding Leadership in Mathematics Education be created." carried
NOTE: The reason for a) is lack of funding. Union Gas provided funds for 3 years and they have been awarded for 5 years, the latter two years paid by OAME. Also only 5 boards sent in nominations in 2007.

4. **moved** by Dan Charbonneau , seconded by Anna Jupp that "a budget of $9000 be provided to underwrite the costs of updating and extending the learning tasks in *Growing Up Mathematically* to create a revised edition of GUM for publication in 2008." carried

5. **moved** by Bill Otto , seconded by Dan Charbonneau that "**By-Law 12 Elections** sections 2, 3 and 8 be amended as follows:
2. The Chair of the Nominations/Elections Committee shall be responsible for preparing the ballots and accompanying information to be posted. The Executive Directors shall be responsible for ensuring that the ballot and information is correctly posted in the "Members Only " section of the OAME/AOEM Website and that each member is notified (via the Ontario Mathematics Gazette) of the voting period for the election. If there is a need for a written ballot, the Executive Directors shall be responsible for mailing one ballot to each voting member of OAME/AOEM. ***The Executive Directors shall be responsible for obtaining and filing a copy of the election report.***
3. The OAME/AOEM Website shall provide the following safeguards:
a)each member will be assigned an unique "Voter Registration Number" that is different from their OAME/AOEM membership number,
b)each member will be allowed to submit only one ballot within a defined time period,

c)each member will view an electronic confirmation, which may be printed, indicating their choices and listing their "Voter Registration Number",

d)the Chair of the Nominations/Elections Committee will have access to ***an election report*** containing the following information:

i) the total number of members who submitted an electronic ballot
ii) the total number of votes for each candidate
iii) a printout of each ballot cast identified only by the "Voter Registration Number".

8. Any member contesting an election result may petition in writing the Chair of the Constitution Committee to convene an ad-hoc election appeal committee, comprised of the following individuals: the Chair of the Constitution Committee, the Website Coordinator, an Executive Director and the Chair of the Nominations/Elections Committee. This ad-hoc committee will be responsible for : (a) reviewing the election and results; (b) reporting its findings and recommendations for follow-up to the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee and the petitioner."

6. **moved** by Bill Otto , seconded by Dan Charbonneau that "**By-Law 21 Annual Conference** , section 10 be amended as follows:

10. Within two years of the conference date, the Annual Conference Planning Committee
a. may be advanced **$10 000** by the Executive Director after the Annual Conference Planning Committee has submitted a request which includes:

i) the list of signing officers
ii) the details of the opening of a bank account
iii) a detailed budget using the OAME/AOEM financial template;

b) ***may be advanced a maximum of $5000 in additional funds upon approval by the OAME/AOEM Executive Committee of a written request which provides a detailed accounting of the disbursement of the initial funds, using the OAME/AOEM financial template, and an itemized plan justifying the need for the additional funds."***

7. **moved** by Bill Otto , seconded by Dan Charbonneau that " **By-law 26 Creating a New Chapter Out of an Existing Chapter** be added as follows:

1. **Demonstrating a Consensus to Subdivide a Chapter**

A request to create one or more chapters from an existing chapter will be entertained once the following criteria are met:

a. a written request is presented to the Executive Committee of OAME/AOEM containing the following

i. a signed petition or an electronic version thereof containing the names of at least one half of the members of the original chapter.
ii. letter(s) of intent indicating the present executive that are in favour of, or opposed to, sub-dividing the chapter.
iii. a rationale for subdividing the chapter.

2. **Granting Permission to Proceed**

The Executive Committee may either:
a. grant permission for the chapter to continue to explore subdividing; or,
b. refer the question to the Board of Directors.

3. **Submission of Application to Subdivide a Chapter**

Upon receipt of approval to continue from the Executive Committee or the Board of Directors, the petitioning chapter will make a final proposal to the Board of Directors and the General membership at the next AGM of OAME/AOEM containing the following:
a. the names of an interim executive for each of the new territories
b. the geographical/political boundaries of the new territories.
c. financial statements showing the distribution of assets and the payment of outstanding debt.
d. the arrangements made to include all existing chapter members in a vote that
i. indicates a clear question regarding the subdivision of the existing chapter.
ii. election details including the prior notice given to chapter members of an impending vote
iii. The results of the vote, including the number who voted.

4. **Final Approval**
Final Approval is made first by a majority vote of the Board of Directors followed by a majority vote of the membership present at the next AGM of OAME.
5. **Administrative Changes**
Upon approval by the AGM of OAME/AOEM, the Executive Directors shall
a. adjust insurance coverage to include newly created chapters
b. correct the membership brochure
c. make appropriate changes to the OAME website
d. adjust the composition of the Board of Directors". carried

8. . **moved** by Bill Otto , seconded by Dan Charbonneau that **"By-Law 27 <u>The Amalgamation of Existing Chapters</u>** be added as follows
1. **Demonstrating a Consensus to Amalgamate Existing Chapters**
A request to amalgamate chapters two or more existing chapters will be entertained once the following criteria are met:
a. a written request is presented to the Executive Committee of OAME/AOEM containing the following
i. a signed petition or an electronic version thereof containing the names of at least one half of the members of all chapters involved.
ii. letter(s) of intent indicating the present executive of all chapters involved in favour of, or opposed to, amalgamating the chapters.
iii. a rationale for amalgamating the chapters.
2. **Granting Permission to Proceed**
The Executive Committee may either
a. grant permission for the chapters to continue the amalgamation process, or
b. refer the question to the Board of Directors
3. **Submission of Application to Amalgamate Chapters**
Upon receipt of approval to continue from the Executive Committee or the Board of Directors, the petitioning chapters will make a final proposal to the Board of Directors and the general membership at the next AGM of OAME/AOEM containing the following.
a. the names of the new executive for the amalgamating chapters
b. the geographical/political boundaries of the new territory.
c. Financial statements showing the distribution of assets and the payment of any outstanding debt.
d. The arrangements made to include all existing chapter members in a vote that
i. indicates a clear question regarding the amalgamation of two existing chapters.
ii.Election details including the prior notice given to chapter members of an impending vote
iii.The results of the vote, including the number who voted.
4. **Final Approval**
Final Approval is made first by a majority vote of the Board of Directors followed by a majority vote of the membership present at the next AGM of OAME/AOEM.
5. **Administrative Changes**
Upon approval by the AGM of OAME/AOEM, the Executive Directors shall
a. adjust insurance coverage to for the new chapter
b. correct the membership brochure
c. make appropriate changes to the OAME website
d. adjust the composition of the Board of Directors." carried

9. . **moved** by Bill Otto , seconded by Dan Charbonneau that **"By-Law 28 <u>The Dissolution of a Chapter</u>** be added as follows:
1. **Demonstrating a Consensus to Dissolve a Chapter**
A request to dissolve a chapter will be entertained once the following criteria are met.
a. a written request is presented to the Executive Committee of OAME/AOEM containing the following
i. a signed petition or an electronic version thereof containing the names of at least one half of the members of the chapter.

ii. letter(s) of intent indicating the present executive that are in favour of, or opposed to dissolving the chapter.
iii. a rationale for dissolving the chapter.

b. if the chapter is unable to, or unwilling to, petition their members then the OAME executive will poll the members of the dissolving chapter

2. **Granting Permission to Proceed.**

The Executive Committee may either
a. grant permission for the chapter to continue to explore dissolution, or
b. refer the question to the Board of Directors

3. **Submission of Application to Dissolve a Chapter**

Upon receipt of approval to continue from the Executive Committee or the Board of Directors, the petitioning chapter will make a final proposal to the Board of Directors and the general membership at the next AGM of OAME/AOEM containing the following:
a. An audited Financial Statement by the accountant of OAME/AOEM (at the expense of OAME/AOEM)
b. The arrangements made to include all existing chapter members in a vote that
i. indicates a clear question regarding the dissolution of the chapter.
ii. Election details including the prior notice given to chapter members of an impending vote and details regarding the ballot
iii. The results of the vote, including the number who voted.

4. **Final Approval**

Final Approval is made by majority vote of the Board of Directors and then the membership present at the next AGM of OAME/AOEM.

5. **Administrative Changes**

Upon approval by the AGM of OAME/AOEM, the Executive Directors shall
a. adjust insurance coverage
b. correct the membership brochure
c. make appropriate changes to the OAME website
d. update the list of the chapter reps
e. contact all the members and allow them to choose another chapter to belong to
f. adjust the composition of the Board of Directors." carried

10. moved by Paul Gautreau, seconded by Dan Charbonneau that " the executive review the merits and possibilities of going to an external fundraising professional in support of OMO, OAME annual conference, and OAME initiatives." Carried
ACTION: executive

11. moved by Paul Gautreau, seconded by Dan Charbonneau that " the executive consider the hiring of a permanent MCIS co-ordinator/administrator who will oversee the administration of publishers/vendors, the uploading of session proposals, and registration for the OAME annual conference." Carried
ACTION: executive

12. moved by Paul Gautreau, seconded by Dan Charbonneau that " the executive consider the inclusion of sponsors on the OAME, OMO, and OAME conference websites." Carried
ACTION: executive

Curriculum and GPS Committees

JK-6: Anna Dutfield reported that after reviewing what the committee had accomplished over the last year, it was decided to continue working on the "5 Books, 25 Lessons" resource using the same 5 books we had decided upon: 100 Hungry Ants, 10 Black Dots, The Grouchy Ladybug, Three Pigs, One Wolf and Seven Magic Shapes, and The Doorbell Rang. New writing partnerships were assigned and a deadline for the first lesson for each book was set for the October meeting here at OAME. Email reminders sent by the co-chairs will help keep people on track with these timelines. Also, all members agreed to share, via email, their lessons so the rest of the committee will be

able review them. The co-chairs will be selecting some tentative meeting dates for our team to meet. Fridays won't be good for several members, and so alternate dates will need to be chosen and agreed upon in the near future. The second part of our committee work will involve supporting the new work being done in the Abacus. Teachers on this committee will collect video and work samples of the problems proposed in the Abacus, and will send these samples to Kathy and Mary Lou (Abacus co-editors) so they can compile a supplementary resource of supporting materials for each lesson in the Abacus.

7-9: Charlotte Cutajar reported that each team shared their work so far with math and flight:
Grade 7 Team (Heather, Charlotte, Gord)
-summative task, shared BLMs, decided to create TIPS lesson for each of the 3 parts
-need more time to finish lessons, create rubric
Grade 8 Team (Sandra, Merilyn, Debbie, Dennis)
-shared 5 TIPS lessons, contest context, have draft BLM on computer,
-looking at histograms and scatter plots, need more time
Grade 9 Team (Greg, Connie, Trish, Danielle)
-introduction to data management
-still need to do BLM
-the one page lesson will take more than one day for a teacher
Next Steps . . .
-build in review process
-Greg proposed using the collaboration website
-**ACTION: grade 9's review the grade 8, grade 8 review the grade 7's, grade 7 reviews grade 9 by September 7th on the collaboration website**
-**ACTION: each team brings 10 copies of updated lessons and BLM's for October's mtg**
-build in another review process but mix up who is doing the reviewing
-have lessons completely done by
-login 7-9@oame.on.ca and password is oame2007 for collaboration website
-**ACTION: each team to post their lessons and BLMs on the collaboration websites**
-perhaps create video to promote . . .
-Need PD piece with these lessons (explore this in the 2nd year)
-discussion of the purpose of a possible video, most members suggested that actual face to face PD might be more beneficial than a video
-finalize and polish these lessons by February, field test to obtain student samples for the June mtg and at that June mtg we examine student samples ((perhaps half the group to look at student samples and the other half to put it altogether on 2 separate days)
-Focus on PD piece in 2nd year . . . looking at what we have so far such as these math and flight products and perhaps incorporate a transitional piece or parents piece, etc
-take a look and assess the student success and transitional work being done in the province and in boards to better respond to their PD needs
- consider making differentiated instruction, assessment, and mathematical processes more explicit in lesson
-perhaps include in the final product of what to do if a school would like to try all 3
-How will we distribute the final product??? Link on website perhaps on members only site or in the resource bank. Show some teasers of the lessons on the website and the rest in the members only to get more memberships

10-12: Dan Charbonneau introduced the idea of producing a one page flyer that would be suitable for new teachers. This idea may be discussed at a later date. Meanwhile, the current goal of the group is to develop workshop material that can be presented at OAME annual conferences. At the next meeting, curriculum group members will list aspects of a good workshop, list five workshop titles that you would attend, and upload any lesson suitable for presentation purposes. To do this, curriculum group members need to go to the OAME web-site in the members only section. Click on collaborative tools, click on your committee grade level and use login 10-12 @ oame.on.ca with the password oame2007. If the resource is not uploaded in advance of the next meeting in October, curriculum group members need to bring 18 hard copies. **ACTION: All**

The OAME 2008 planning committee will be asked to reserve six workshop slots for presentations by the members of the grade 10-12 curriculum committee. **ACTION: Connie Quadrini**
Jacqueline Hill, OAME's president, announced that Ministry officials are having OMCA and OAME oversee summer writing for the six courses in grade 12. Writers have been asked to provide material for 30% of each course. Early writing for MCV, MDM and MHF will occur at Math Camp and continue throughout the summer. MEL, MCT and MAP will be written in July. 30% of the course work needs to be written by September. The approach used in TIPS will guide the creation of new material with the course material posted on the OAME website by August 20th.
GUM revisions are planned for the summer. One team will write two tasks for grade 12 in the Kingston area and a second team will write two grade 10 tasks in the Sudbury, Manitoulin area in August.
ACTION: Anyone interested in writing the above material should email Dan Charbonneau, Jacqueline Hill or Gord Cooke.

GPS: Duncan LeBlanc reported that this committee did not meet today. However plans include:
• posting of a summary of resources done last year
• research and post new resources for professional reading
• articulate an OAME position on key issues
• provide a written OAME position for people representing OAME at various meetings
• gather data from board co-ordinators regarding the post curriculum review process (success/suggestions for change)

Announcements

OAME 2007: Greg Clarke reported that Building Bonds was a huge success. He thanked all who attended/presented. It ran smoothly except for residence registration, over which they had no control. The Georgian College staff were great. Data includes 1000 paying attendees, 200+ presenters, 20 core organizers. Hospitality events were well received. Greg suggested that future committees have standby presenters and their cell phone #s available for last minute calls. 200 people have responded to the online evaluation. Presenters can view their own. About 185 parents and 15 presenters attended the Saturday Parents Conference, that started with opening remarks from the Minister of Education.

OAME 2008: Sue Hessey reported that OAME 2008 will be held at the Sheraton Parkway Toronto North in Richmond Hill from May 8-10. Blocks of rooms are being held at the 2 hotels in this complex. The theme is "The Path is Made by Walking" and the conference is centered around the paths of: Differentiated Instruction, Math Processes, Curriculum, PD, Assessment for Learning, Tools, Research, and Social Justice. Marian Small will be the Thurs keynote on Differentiated Instruction and Craig and Marc Kielberger from Free the Children on Fri. The fee will be higher than past years as a buffet lunch is included in the cost. The committee job shadowed in Barrie and have met with Greg to set up their website and MCIS. Speaker proposals are now being accepted in MCIS.

OMO 2007: Cathy Hall reported that job shadowing OMO 2006 was very helpful. OMO 2007 was very successful, chaired by Cathy and Judy Loschmann. Red T-shirts highlighted the nation's capital and included major sponsor names. With lots of sponsors they were able to provide many items to the teams, including Ivan Moshcovich books, water bottles, calculators, pi pins, and dog tags. Activities and the full slide show will be posted on the website. Teams stayed in 2 bedroom air conditioned dorm-apartments. Winners were ISOMA, PRMA, ISOMA. Lots of prizes were distributed. Participants enjoyed a Haunted Walk and a BBQ. The preliminary slide show was shown.

Leadership 2008: Jacqueline Hill reported that this conference "Investigating Pathways to Understanding Mathematics" will occur Feb 21-23, 2008 at the Holiday Inn Select. Two workshops are available, an elementary one looking at Japanese approaches led by Akihiko Takahashi, and a secondary one on emerging technology, led by Fred and Lynda Ferneyhough. The brochure will be included with the Sept Gazette.

Sharing

OECTA: Dan Charbonneau reminded members to investigate many summer workshops, including one by Cathy Fosnot, on the OECTA website.

Curriculum Review Committee: Dan Charbonneau reported that an OAME/OMCA/Fields committee is dialoguing to be prepared for the next curriculum review.

Ministry of Education: Jacqueline Hill reported that the Ministry has approached OAME and OMCA about funding a joint summer project to support the implementation of grade 12. Thirty % of the 6 course , in the TIPS format, is to be developed to get teachers started. Materials will be posted on Aug 20 on our website.

Reports

Standing Committees: Committee chairs shared the following highlights:

1. Chapter Reps investigated the various website functions available to them and planned a daylight PD day on Oct 12 at 1 pm that will look at Smartboard use.
2. Constitution looked at restructuring of the OAME organization
3. Equity reported that the Keilberger keynote will be the Equity function at OAME2008. The focus will be on 2 book studies this year.
4. Publications is looking for a Gazette editor, the new Abacus editors shared their new vision/plans and the website changes are WOW!!
5. Futures looked at revisions to the OMO and OAME guides
6. Promotions want to target boards to increase membership and create an OAME presence in every school. They would also like to communicate to parents how math has changed.

Curriculum Committees: Committee chairs shared the following highlights:

1. JK-6 have 5 new members and have renewed interest in the “Book in a Bag” project. They will also support the vision of the Abacus, with perhaps video clips.
2. 7-9 are continuing to work on their Math in Flight resource
3. 10-12 want to develop six workshops for OAME2008, and include resources in the members only
4. GPS reported that they will complete the resources summary started last year and work on an OAME position statement and gather data about the past review process.

adjournment: 4:10 pm

Written Reports

Ministry of Education: Fred Ferneyhough reported from the May 11 meeting that the first presentation was on English Language Learners. It was interesting in many ways and the graphs showed that kids who arrive here speaking no English take about five years to catch up to their peers regardless of their age upon arrival. There is a draft policy coming soon. The second presentation was on Aboriginal learners. What I really liked about this presentation was that the gentleman was not standing up there saying “you have to modify your entire curriculum to focus on this need”, which is something that I’ve heard too often. His idea was to provide us with some great information on aboriginal stories and legends where content was embedded and simply asked that we attempt to infuse this into our curriculum. He was well prepared and we really enjoyed his presentation. Just before lunch, we had a presentation on the Ontario archives. This seemed to be most applicable to the social sciences. Very interesting material though. After lunch, Sue Durst updated us on the Curriculum Council. I was not aware of this body. Its first issue has been tackling “the environment”, chaired by Dr. Roberta Bondar. On the heels of what Dan lead us through in February, this seemed to be a welcome discussion. The next issues may be Women and Gender studies and the amount of content in the elementary curriculum. Sue also talked about the curriculum documents currently being addressed. She mentioned that our grade 12 document would be combined with the existing grade 11 documents from last year for consistency. I did not know that we have moved to a seven year cycle, but that makes sense. John Taylor talked about some issues with OSAPAC. It seems that he thinks that we need a good

piece of software for senior mathematics. Boy, do I have something for him! He also indicated that some maintenance agreements are being negotiated. Myrna did a short presentation on mathematics, referring to the TIPS documents and the CLIPS series. She talked about creating professional learning guides on the LMS web site. Finally, there was some information about research being requested on "is this curriculum working". I don't recall that this issue was math specific. Janice Crawford, discussed resources and how items are added and removed from the Trillium List

OTF: Anna Jupp reported from the May 12 meeting:

Item	Discussion	Action required from OAME
Association Update	Phys-ED association has sent out a survey to members in preparation for curriculum review this fall	Should OAME do the same to ensure a strong, common voice around recommended changes
MOE- e-Learning Ron St Louis Rose Burton-Spohn Urs Bill	e-learning management system learning object repository (Ontario Educational Resource Bank access to credit courses access to on-line resources for teachers - only for provincially funded schools - part of the teacher workload, day school students must be taught by regular day school teachers - password protected, teacher ownership - searchable by grade, subject, strand, overall expectations, key word - if teachers don't use it the plug will be pulled - students must be registered with a school board - must be enrolled in the course ghrough their home school - over 5700 learning resources available K to Grade 12 - will provide pd/interactive working sessions ron.stlouis@ontario.ca	- does OAME what to put something on the our website offering guidelines for creating resources that will go on the e-learning website. -suggestions/follow ministry guidelines, OAME vision, etc. - writing project for secondary committees to create exemplars? - ministry is open to suggestions on a partnership- how to get more math resources on line.
Knowledge Ontario Michael Rosettis	Funded by the ministry of culture www.knowledgeontario.ca Joint project between libraries, cultural heritage organizations and educational institutions for the sharing of digital content (photos, maps, memoires To access resources, school boards must registered at www.knowledgeontario.ca	

OAME 2008: Connie Quadrini reported that a number of our committee members job-shadowed at the OAME2007 conference. Great feedback was provided by the 2007 committee, which included details pertaining to Facilities, Student Helpers, Exhibits, Hospitality and Registration. Our committee debriefed the job-shadowing experience at our May 16th meeting. Our Thursday lunch keynote has been confirmed. Marian Small from the University of New Brunswick will present her keynote address focused on differentiated instruction. Originally, our Friday Equity lunch keynote speaker was scheduled to be Stephen Lewis, however his fees recently increased by $2500, and so we have submitted a request to have Craig and Marc Keilburger from *Free the Children* speak on Friday. We are awaiting a response from their coordinator. The Exhibits committee recently visited the venue and mapped out the location for exhibitors tables, which will be used on the MCIS exhibitor online registration. Connie met with Len Catleugh from Texas Instrument to discuss the T^3 Regional Mini-Conference to take place during the OAME2008 conference. A grant of $6000 US has been earmarked for the event. John Kearns from Spectrum has

indicated that he is interested in being a major sponsor for the conference. He would be willing to sponsor the bags. A meeting with John and the president of the company will be scheduled in June. The Promotion committee has been busy finalizing the logo. The draft was prepared. The co-chairs will be meeting with a graphic designer to edit the draft and prepare the final copy of the logo for May 31st. In addition, the Promotions committee continues to follow up with sponsorship letters sent out to local business in York Region. An MCIS working session has been scheduled on June 1st with Greg Clarke at the SMCDSB. One representative from each of the following committees will be in attendance: co-chair, program/speakers, exhibits and registration. Greg Clarke has transferred the files to the www.oame2008.ca website. It is our hope that MCIS speaker registration will be available by mid-June.

Fields Institute: Walter Whiteley reported that the recent three Fields Meetings have addressed: • Support in mathematics for students with disabilities (including an electronic presentation from Brazil in research on education for the blind and deaf)
• Mathematics and Aesthetics: a presentation by Natalie Sinclair (Simon Fraser University) on the role of aesthetics in motivation and the practice of mathematics, as well as a presentation by Stewart Craven on Mathematics and Art, including an activity of George Hart from the Banff BIRS workshop on folding a circle to make a sixpointed star, and composing copies to make an islamic tiling pattern!
• International research projects, including work by folks from Brock with an early childhood / after school program in a township in South Aftica, a project by a faculty member in Uganda, around the use of manipulatives and technology in Canada and with pre-service teachers in Uganda, and an ongoing project of George Gadanidas (Western) on 'Mathematical Performances', which includes some people in Brazil, and in Kenya, as well as local people (such as Calculus the Musical).
He also reported that the Fields Math Education Forum web site is being redesigned and updated, and the revisions should be in place for September. The Forum was updated on the developing Three Year Curriculum Committee project (joint with OAME and OMCA). Our representation was chosen to provide one person from the University Math community, one person from the University Math Ed community, and one person from the College Math Community, to complement the representation from the OAME and the OMCA. Miroslav Lovric (McMaster) will be the chair of the Forum for next year, as Margaret Sinclair goes on a well earned Sabbatical.

NCTM Report: John Kersley reported sales at the recent OAME Annual Conference in Barrie were reasonable. I sold about $1000 worth of NCTM merchandise. This amount is about average compared to the last few years.
I would thank to thank the "Building Bonds 007" organizing committee for all their hard work in making the conference a success. The long-going troubles, trials and tribulations with NCTM have abated in the last few months. It was ironic that after I paid for my last shipment, I was asked by NCTM to fill in survey inquiring how NCTM was doing in their affiliate's eyes. Rest assured I was tempted to let NCTM know of the past frustrations, but I decided to be very diplomatic to encourage NCTM to work further with OAME.
NCTM provides a great variety of mathematical materials for teachers. Examples:

For Prizes and Encouragement	buttons, balloons, pencils, stickers
For Student Assessment	more than thirty publications including the Mathematics Assessment Sampler series
For a Variety of Math Problems	try the Menu Collection or Calendar Problems from the Mathematics Teacher
For New Teachers	try the Empowering Beginning Teacher of Mathematics
For Elementary School	try Children Are Mathematical Problem Solvers, Mathematics in the Early Years, Math is Language Too
For Middle School	try Mathematics through Paper Folding, and Activities for Junior High School and Middle School, Volume 2
For High School	try Mission Mathematics II series or Statistical Questions from the Classroom

and then there are suggested web sites:

mathgoodies.com	pages and pages of interactive activities for students, teachers and parents
multiplication.com	worksheets, flashcards, charts, quizzes for classroom use
learner.org/exhibits/dailymath	for students to explore how mathematics plays a role in our daily life

mathmastery.com animated interactive lessons, word problems and family activities for students, teachers and parents in grades 3 – 8

upcoming NCTM Conferences
Richmond Virginia "**Exploring Mathematical Horizons**" October 11 – 12, 2007
Kansas City Missouri "**Jazzed About Math**" October 25 – 26, 2007
Houston Texas "**Energizing Mathematics**" November 29 – 30, 2007
Annual NCTM Conference: Salt Lake City Utah "**Becoming Certain About Uncertainty**" April 9 – 12, 2007

OMCA : Jacqueline Hill reported from the June 8 meeting:
Ministry of Education
Myrna Ingalls:(Report given by Cheryl McQueen from Minutes of June 7 meeting)

1) Next February there is a joint Literacy/Numeracy conferece for grades 7-12
2) In Nov there are regional conferences being planned for grades 7- 12
3) Summer plans (3 days towork on specific grade 12 courses, followed by 5 days to work on technical stuff)
4) Next year they will be working on CLIPS and building capacity in mathematics
5) Looking at the realm of diagnostic assessment.

Anthony Azapardi:

1) In the approval process for the grade 11/12 revised curriculum document. Looking for print copies to be in the schools for the end of the year.
2) Second edit of the draft is on the OAME website
3) The training CD is still in the works (this can be used to help train/inservice your teachers)
4) Adobe connect will not be pursued at this point. But they are looking at how it can be used to support implementation.
5) Calculus and Vectors has a note that says the advanced functions should be taken first.

Q1: The Alan King reports make me wonder if there has been any feedback around if the students in grades 9-11 have been any more successful with the revised curriculum?
A1: We are monitoring it.
Q2: supplement: How are students doing?
A2: It takes a couple of years to find out.
Q3: When the electronic curriculum is released in June will it be in rtf and adobe?
A3: It is plain text.
Q4: SIIM data, when will get to see it?
A4: In the fall if not before
Q5: Is there textbook money coming in the fall?
A5: I have heard nothing to indicate that.
Q6: Is there data on the kids that sign up and those that make it to the end?
A6: They can't connect what is happening to the students.
A7: Grade 12 pre-req question…. Is there a place to get clearer information ?
A7: The Universities have different policies.
Aside: Note that Ottawa U has changed their pre-req's from December to May. This will affect many students.
The Literacy and Numeracy Secretariat – Mary Lou Kestell.
1) Schools on the move – schools that are beating the odds and growing their scores in the last three years. There are 20 schools that sent in this info. They are acting as schools that people can come and visit and see why and how things work at these schools. This year 46 other schools have been added to this list. These schools get money to have others in, and to go and visit other schools.
2) Douglas Reeves wrote "Learning Leader". Is a recommended read. He even went back to the classroom for a year to validate what he wrote.
3) Coaching conference July 4 and 5. Keynotes Lucy West and Cathy Fosnot. They will be using the Math Notes Field Guide. Four from every school board have been invited. One spot for Superintendent, two classroom coaches, and a school board coach.
Kathy Kubota-Zarivnij
1) Brought copies of the materials that have been written this year.

2) Leading Student Achievement is a small group of principals from across the province the materials they have worked on is housed at curriculum.org
3) think of ways you can help with their agenda to make it more accessible to you.
4) working with combined grades materials.
5) The June webcast will be on June 28th.

Joyce Tonner

1) OFIP schools will continue.

Stewart Craven: Canadian Math Society (continuation of discussion from May)

1)is primarily made up of research mathematicians.
2) is trying to get more mathematicians involved.
3) there is a call for the people to the next forum in Vancouver BC on Thursday April 30th and Sunday May 3, 2009
4) asking us to think Nationally and to contribute nationally.

OAME

Jacqueline Hill

1) Special thanks to those that presented at our OAME annual conference 2007
2) Thanks to those that were delegates at OAME 2007 – Trish gave a update
3) OAME 2008 will be in the Richmond Hill – Sheraton Parkway area on May 8, 9, 10,2008 - Connie
4) Leadership…February 21-23, 2008 at the Holiday Inn Select. Next year will have two streams one stream will be Teaching Through problem solving and the evolution of math grades 1 - 6 with Akihiko Takahashi and the other is a Emerging technologies for those that have to inservice them.
5) Work is being done on Growing Up Mathematically in the senior grades this summer.
6) Thanks for your continued support of the Ontario Math Olympics. Ottawa was an amazing venue, the 33 teams had a fabulous time.- Paul

OMCA reports -

1) Mark Kolohon – this afternoon a stop, start and continue will be done. The dates for next year were distributed. Sept 7 Thames Valley, Oct 4 Durham, Nov 2 Hamilton, Dec 6 Niagara, jan 10,11 OMCA retreat, march 6 Waterloo, April 4 Ottawa, May 7 York Catholic, June 6 Halton
   b) curriculum review OAME/OMCA/FIELDS met in Barrie. Extended discussion about what we want to talk about, what it means, who wants to do what. This afternoon a structure will be put into place. As specific questions are asked they will be brought back to the organizations for feedback. OMCA reps are Glynnis, Dan and Mark. NCSM has an article by Randle Charles on Big Ideas, that should be read you can google this.

2) Discussion ensued around the support materials that will be developed in the summer by OMCA and OAME.

ROUND TABLE SHARING

Stewart Craven – CMEF – two documents are being sent April 29 – May 2 will be held in Vancouver. There is some financial support for teachers to go and be presenters. They are looking to put together a product from this meeting.

Executive Directors Report: Dave and Sue Hessey reported that membership on May 31, 2007 was 1405 We have processed 253 memberships through OAME2007 and have received $11455 in fees. New Chapter reps are: COMA: Pat Kehoe, MAC2: Danielle Blair, NWOAME: Tom Boland, and SWOAME: Joe Goulet. Y4MA is trying to find a new chapter rep. Pat Margerm indicated she might step down as the TEAMS rep. Greg will continue as chair. We sold approximately $2000 worth of resources and promotional materials at OAME 2007. We made arrangements there to give away the remaining LAIM-PR inventory to the York and Windsor Faculties of Education and sold 25 at $2 each to preservice teachers. We sold 11 of our new T-shirts: Math...You Can Do It. We have reordered the Secondary sticky graphs and Memopads. We are investigating 4X6 elementary sticky notes with 25 sheets per pad. A complete inventory report was circulated. Greg is planning to migrate to the new server over the summer. He has posted all the award winner pictures and the ad for our new T-shirts. MCIS worked well at the conference. We have removed the election results from the website but kept a printed copy in our files. 57 voted this year as compared to 49 by paper ballot last year. We are in the process on renewing our liability insurance, up for renewal in July. Our six year service contract on our used Toshiba copier will not be renewed. Several parts are no longer made. We are investigating costs for a replacement reconditioned Konica -Minolta, either to lease or to buy.

OAME2007: A letter of thank you has been sent to the 2 co-chairs. The loan of $10 000 has been repaid and we are expecting the PD fee in the next week.
OAME 2008: We have received the list of committee chairs. Chairs visited OAME 2007 to job shadow. They distributed pens/pencils and flyers from their booth. The theme is "The Path is made by Walking" . Their logo is being developed. Marian Small will be the Thurs. lunch Keynote, speaking on differentiated instruction.
OAME 2009: A motion to accept the application of COMA to host OAME2009 is being presented at the June board meeting. Two copies of the contract have been mailed in anticipation of the passing of this motion.
OAME2010: Interest has been shown by GOLDEN to host in 2010. Possible Chairs are Ed Haines, Liisa Suurtamm and Elizabeth Pattison. All details about how to apply, by laws, Financial template, and Guide have been emailed to Laura Tonin, Ed and Liisa.
OAME2011: David Petro is trying to create interest for SWOAME to host 2011.
OMO 2007: This event occurred June 1 and 2 with an anticipated 33 teams. We have assisted with advice on a letter from a student MAC2 team, and requests for phone numbers for OMO co-ordinators who have not submitted required information on time. We have also provided many charitable donation receipts.
OMO 2008-2010: Contracts have been signed with PRMA to host OMO2008 and 2009. A contract for OMO 2010 has been mailed to MAC2. An application for $5000 to fund OMO2008 has be submitted and approved by Spectra Energy/Union Gas .
OMO 2011: TEAMS is interested in hosting.

CHAPTER REPORTS,

CHAMP- Rep:Lynda Ferneyhough: lynda.ferneyhough@peelsb.com. We finished the CHAMP contests and were delighted to have 22 schools in Peel participate, 21 in Dufferin Peel and 7 in Halton Catholic. The top contest winners will be honoured at an Awards Night. Thanks to all who contributed to a most successful contest. Our OMO trials were also a success. We will be sending two teams to the OMO. We have started planning our fall event for October 18th. We are looking for speakers, some from the great ones we heard at the OAME 2007 conference. Our next meeting is June 7th at the Dufferin Peel Catholic Board Office. Anyone interested is welcome to attend.
COMA - Rep: Pat Kehoe: patricia.kehoe@ottawacatholicschools.ca. On May 14th COMA held their annual Spring Forums. The secondary forum provided teachers with an opportunity to see, and hear presentations about, new curriculum resources. The elementary forum was an activity-based workshop on the new curriculum materials that have been released by the Ministry for junior division teachers. Each forum attracted over 35 teachers. After coordinating a very successful local Math Olympics in April with 60 teams, Judy Loschmann and Cathy Hill and their committee are very excited to be hosting the Ontario Math Olympics in Ottawa on June 2nd. Everyone at COMA is very excited about hosting the conference in 2009! The planning committee is up and running, Committee Chairs are in place and facilities at Carleton University have been booked. COMA held its AGM in May and elected a new executive for 2007-8; Anne Fitton (President), Beata Myhill (Vice-President), Carrie MacFarland & Christine Adam-Carr (Co-Secretaries), Cathy Hall (Treasurer), Melissa Perrotta (Membership Co-ordinator), Pat Kehoe (OAME Chapter Rep), and Mary Bourassa (Past president).Plans are underway for a Fall Social in October along with the Annual Fall COMA Mini-Conference in November, which will be held at the University of Ottawa. COMA would like to congratulate Rob McLeish from Sir Robert Borden High School in Ottawa for winning the Union Gas Award for Teaching Excellence in Secondary Mathematics. We are proud to have him in our Chapter.
GOLDEN - Rep:Laura Tonin: lmtonin@yahoo.ca Our annual mini-conference at Brock University went well. Our theme this year was Visual Mathematics and participants enjoyed attending two workshops on various topics. We also had a delicious dinner with an amazing dessert table (the chocolate cheesecake was top notch). Our committee is now starting to plan for OAME 2010. We've chosen our chairs and the conference will be held at Brock University. The committe would like to wish our president Ed Haines a happy retirement! Ed will continue to be involved with OAME as he is one of the chairs for the 2010 conference.
GVMA - Rep: Rob Gleeson: rob_gleeson@bwdsb.on.ca. We have set up the program of the October Mini Conference. We will be looking at Memories of K.D. Fryer, the 50th Anniversary of U. of Waterloo and the 40th Anniversary of the Faculty of Mathematics at U of Waterloo. We are looking at creating exams for the new 11 and 12 curriculums. We are also looking at creating a T-Shirt for GVMA distribution.

ISOMA - Rep: Diane Lang: dilang@uts.utoronto.ca. ISOMA has two events to report. First, a very successful and enjoyable Math Olympics was held at Crescent School. Thanks to Mark Suckling and his team of volunteers for their excellent organization. This was truly a cooperative venture as teachers from several other schools - St. Andrew's College, Appleby College, Havergal College, Branksome Hall - submitted activities to help Mark create the program for the day. Over 100 students participated, and three teams were selected to compete at OMO 2007. Our second event was a conference call meeting of the Executive to begin the planning of our Fall 2007 Mini Conference, tentatively set for Wed., Oct. 17, 2007.

MAC2 - Rep: Danielle Blair: dblair@scdsb.on.ca The 2006/07 school year has been a very busy year for MAC2! In the fall, September 28, 2006, MAC2 hosted a mini-conference at Georgian College. A great dinner was followed by a set of workshops by Jennifer Brown, Connie Quadrini, Gina MicoMonaco and Fred Ferneyhough in which a mathematical concept was explored from Grades 1 to 12. Then in the spring of 2007, MAC2 hosted the Annual OAME conference, “Building Bonds”, in Barrie May 3rd to the 5th. The conference was a huge success thanks to the dedication and hard work of a small but committed committee. Events such as a Mathematics Murder Mystery, Awards Banquet, Wine and Cheese, Mix and Mingle, Casino Rama Trip, and Exclusive Trip, added to the excitement, learning, and networking that delegates enjoyed through the daily sessions and keynote address. 1300 people, including presenters attended over the course of 3 days, 1500 if we include the 200 parents that attended the first ever Parent Math Conference! The Parent Conference was one of two smaller conferences held within the larger conference, the second being a Texas Instrument Conference. Highlights of the Parent Conference, in addition to the success of numbers attending, include a letter of recognition and support from the Prime Minister of Canada, Stephen Harper, a keynote address from The Minister of Education, Kathleen Wynne, as well as financial and representational support on behalf of both the Simcoe County District School Board and the Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board. Currently, MAC2 is wrapping up details from the Annual Conference and discussing goals for next year. For 2007/08 MAC2 is planning a fall-mini conference and looking at opportunities to further our commitment of developing a collaborative mathematics community with parents.

NOMA - Rep: Sue Melville: melvils@rainbowschools.ca . Representatives from NOMA who attended the OAME conference in Barrie came back raving about the high quality of the sessions they attended. We have already invited some of those speakers to present at our NOMA fall conference, scheduled for Friday,October 19, 2007 in Sudbury. Interested speakers should contact Sue Melville (melvils@rainbowschools.ca) or Heather Boychuk (boychuh@rainbowschools.ca).The other highlight of our spring activities was the NOMA Math Olympics, held at Lasalle Secondary School on Saturday, May 12th. Twenty teams representing 8 local schools vied for medals. We are delighted to send two teams on to the provincial matholympics. Carl A. Nesbitt Public School and Valleyview Public School will each be sending a team to Ottawa. Future plans for NOMA include inviting teachers from northern communities to participate on our committee.

NWOAME- Rep: Tom Boland: taboland@shaw.ca We were pleased to have over 100 students competing in the NWOAME Regional OMO. Four students went on to represent the region at the Provincial OMO in Ottawa. NWOAME has several new voices as a result of attracting new members to the organizing committee. We are currently brainstorming about several future projects and ways to increase awareness and general membership. At this point, no one idea has been decided upon.

PRMA- Rep: Sandra Jean Price: price_sandra@durham.edu.on.ca PRMA held its local OMO playdowns at Durham College on May 15th. The chapter will be sponsoring two teams to go to the provincial OMO this year. We are looking forward to hosting the provincial event at Trent University in 2008 and 2009. Our Annual General Meeting is scheduled for June 19th. Our executive is looking ahead to the Fall, planning a Fall social that will include Don Fraser as a keynote. The tentative date for this event is October 2nd, 2007. We hope that the event will be attended by both teachers and pre-service teachers from Faculties of Education in our area. The chapter is also looking into ways we can recognize contributions to the mathematics community within our region.

QSLMA -Rep: Robert Sherk: sherkr@limestone.on.ca This term QSLMA has promoted attendance at the leadership and provincial annual conferences through our web site and email newsletter. There was a very good representation of our group at both events with more than 10 people attending each from the Limestone Board alone. We also held a local OMO event here in April and are sending a team to the provincial event. Thanks to Geoff Roulet and Linda Colgan and their team of Queen's Faculty of Ed students for organizing this event. We are now beginning to plan our Fall mini conference next November.

SAME- Rep: Debbie Drape: debbie.drape@tel.tdsb.on.ca Last time I gave a report SAME was busily planning for our mini-conference held on February 21st. This year t-shirts were purchased for the executive to wear plus for the

student volunteers. It was a great idea and we had an opportunity to wear the shirts again during our local playdowns. The teams that were sent to the provincial OMO did not place but Ottawa had a well organized event and fun was had by all. Two goals that we had for this year were to increase membership and to try to get more members on the executive. We have had a few names given to us, and they were contacted, but only one has joined the executive, thus far. Thank goodness we have dedicated colleagues that are interested in supporting our efforts when called upon but they don't wish to take on a commitment to be on the executive. As for general membership, we have encouraged participants to become members but very few sign on the dotted line. We will continue to promote membership at our mini-conference which we are working on now, to be held sometime in the fall (date TBD).

SWOAME- Rep: Joe Goulet: joe_goulet@wecdsb.on.ca. SWOAME hosted its annual math Olympics, which saw over 70 participants compete. The three winning teams move onto the provincial competition. We are working on initiatives to more smoothly implement the new grade 12 curriculum.

TEAMS- Rep: Pat Margerm: pmargerm@edu.yorku.ca Teams for the provincial OMO were selected through the local TEAMS OMO competition on April 14. The first annual awards, in memory of the late president, Anne Cirillo, were presented at this competition by members of her family. A tentative date for the local OMO competition of 2008 may be April 7, 2008. Discussions for the location of OMO 2011 have already begun. That's planning ahead! The tentative date for the fall mini-conference is October 25, 2007. The spring mini-conference was cancelled due to conflicts with school board events.The TEAMS constitution is close to being finalized. Laurissa Werhun continues to provide a web newsletter that is sent to all current TEAMS members with information about upcoming events as well as some recommended resources such as weblinks.

WOMA - Rep: Ann Michele Stenning: a.stenning@tvdsb.on.ca This spring WOMA hosted a mini-conference with a focus on Smart Boards. Publishers and local educational supply stores were in attendance to display their products. Conference participants attended two sessions of their choice and then listened to Kathy Kabota-Zarivnij over supper. A fall conference will be planned for November.

Y4MA - Rep: TBA Y4MA is busy planning OAME 2008 to be held May 8-10 at the Sheraton Parkway Toronto North in Richmond Hill. Co-chairs are Connie Quadrini and Gina Micomonaco.